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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: SAKAMOTO Examiner: O. NADAV
Serial No.: 09/208,105 Group Art Unit: 2811
Filed: NOVEMBER 25, 1998 Docket No.: 10233.81USW1
Title: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE WITH METAL WIRE LAYER MASKING (AS AMENDED)

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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this correspondence is being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on August 5, 2003.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed April 25, 2003, said period of response being extended from July 25, 2003 to August 25, 2003.

Our check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.



Respectfully submitted,

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